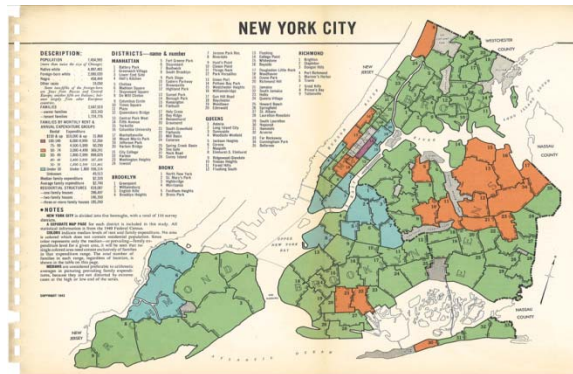


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Bensonhurst



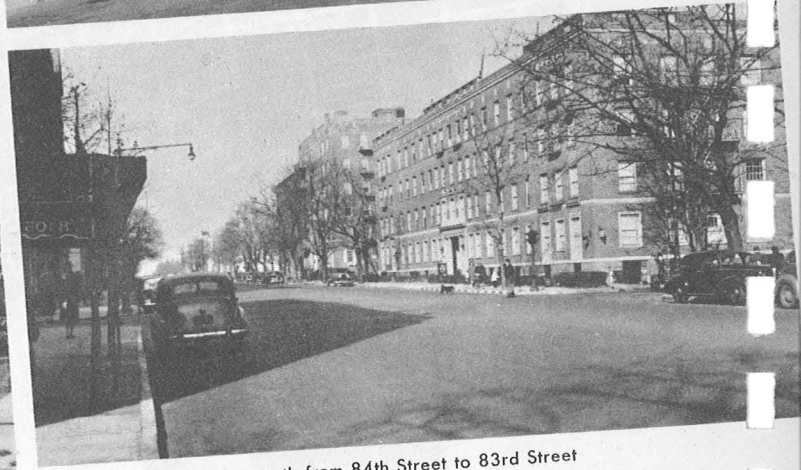
Above: 14th Avenue between 76th and 77th Streets



Right: 82nd Street looking from 18th Avenue toward 19th Avenue



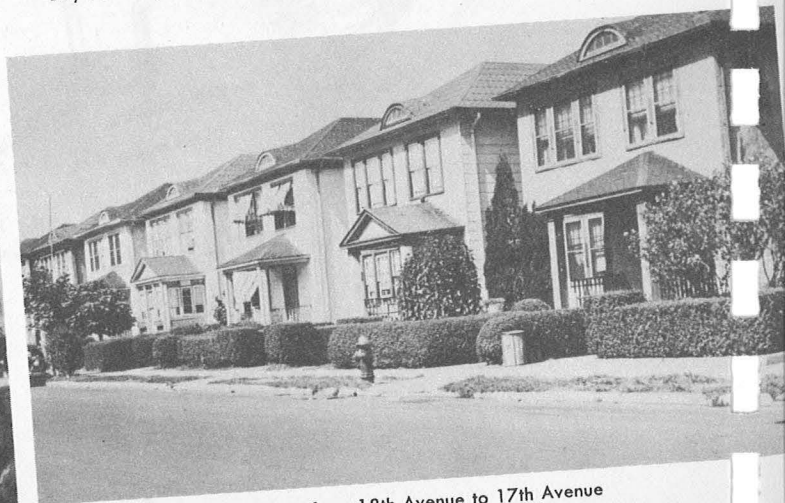
78th Street from 21st to 20th Avenue



Bay Parkway looking north from 84th Street to 83rd Street

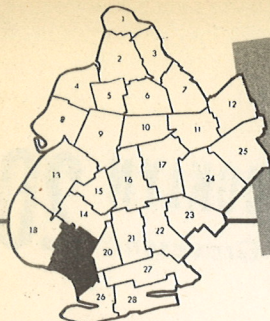


86th Street between 23rd Avenue and Bay 34th Street



Bay Ridge Parkway looking from 18th Avenue to 17th Avenue





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## Bensonhurst

Not so many years ago cornfields and truck gardens could be seen in Bensonhurst. Today it is a district of good buying power with a large number of closely set one and two-family houses. Five and six-story elevator apartment houses line principal thoroughfares such

as Bay Parkway. Bay Parkway and 86th Street have supplanted Bath Avenue as the principal shopping center. After a tremendous growth in the 1920-1930 decade, Bensonhurst developed at a slower pace in the 1930's. Its population increase exceeded 8,000—a growth of 6.5 per cent.

POPULATION . . . . . 137,787  
(larger than Albany, N. Y.)

Native white . . . . . 87,374  
Foreign-born white . . . . . 49,686  
Negro . . . . . 686  
Other races . . . . . 41

*Almost half the foreign-born are Italians; Russian, Polish and Austrian Jews are numerous.*

FAMILIES . . . . . 33,464  
—owner families . . . . . 7,282  
—tenant families . . . . . 26,182

### FAMILIES BY MONTHLY RENT & ANNUAL EXPENDITURE GROUPS

Rental	Expenditure	
\$150 & up	\$10,000 & up	159
100-149	6,000-9,999	658
75- 99	4,500-5,999	893
50- 74	3,000-4,499	6,833
30- 49	1,800-2,999	19,826
40- 49	2,400-2,999	8,955
30- 39	1,800-2,399	10,871
Under 30	Under 1,800	3,352
Unknown		1,743

Median family expenditure . . \$2,510  
Average family expenditure . . \$2,769

RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURES . 12,959  
—one-family houses . . . . . 3,718  
—two-family houses . . . . . 4,994  
—three-or-more-family houses . 4,247

